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## Senator Leah Landrum Taylor, D-27

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## Landrum Taylor: We must fix CPS and fund preventative education

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Senator Leah Landrum Taylor released the following statement on the news that 6,000 reports went uninvestigated by Child Protective Services.

"Today's news from CPS is heartbreaking and points to a system that is woefully underfunded and understaffed," said Sen. Landrum Taylor.

"I've been involved in past CPS reforms where more caseworkers were called for and initially provided, but budget cuts over the years have left CPS worse off than before. We must make our children's future our top priority by not only fixing CPS, but also by investing in preventative education so that CPS services aren't needed in the first place."

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